

Amendments to the specification:

On page 1, before the first paragraph, please insert the following heading:

Background of the Invention

On page 1, please amend the first paragraph as follows:

The invention relates to a starter system for an internal combustion engine, in particular, for motor vehicles, ~~having the characteristics recited in the preamble to claim 1.~~

On page 1, line 6, please delete the heading.

On page 2, line 12, please amend the heading as follows:

Advantages Summary of the Invention

On page 2, please amend the paragraph contained within lines 13-21 as follows:

The starter system of the invention ~~having the characteristics recited in claim 1~~ offers the advantage over the prior art that adaptation to engines of different parameters can be done in a simple way. Because the primary components of the starter system are embodied as individual modules and can be expanded variably into starter systems with different parameters, it is simple,

beginning with the individual modules, to achieve different starter systems without having to reconstruct the entire starter system.

On page 3, please delete the paragraph contained within lines 18-20 in its entirety.

On page 3, line 21, please amend the heading as follows:

Brief Description of the Drawings

On page 4, line 5, please amend the heading as follows:

Detailed Description of the Exemplary Preferred Embodiments